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**Senate Bill 977 (As Introduced)**

**Topic:** Expedited Liquor Licenses  
**Sponsor:** Senator Gilbert  
**Co-sponsors:** Senators Allen, Sanborn, Kuipers, Richardville, Birkholz, Hunter, Stamas, Hardiman, Kahn, Clarke, George, Barcia, Pappageorge, Jacobs, Anderson, and Thomas  
**Committee:** Senate Commerce and Tourism

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**Date of Summary:** March 4, 2008

The bill amends Section 525 and adds a new Section 526 to the Liquor Control Code of 1998. Expedited filing of resort or resort economic development licenses would be permitted under the bill. The fee for approval within 5 business days would be \$1,000, and the fee for approval within 10 business days would be \$500. The fees are non-refundable. The Liquor Control Commission may establish a deadline by which applications must be submitted in order to be eligible for expedited action. Revenue from expedited applications is to be retained by the Commission to carry out its duties. The Commission is required to reimburse the State Police and local law enforcement agencies for the reasonable cost of processing fingerprints. The Commission's responsibility relating to expedited filing extends only to those duties directly under the control of the Commission and not the actions or inactions of any other state agency or local unit of government.